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Preparation of olefins by metathesis over a carbide or oxycarbide of a transition metal

Abstract

Process for preparing a compound having a nonaromatic C-C double or triple bond (compound A) from another compound or a mixture of other compounds having a nonaromatic C-C double or triple bond (compound B), which comprises bringing the compound (B) into contact with a heterogeneous catalyst comprising carbides or oxycarbides of a transition element at from 50 to 500°C.